Sl. No.	Name of City	NH No.	Stretch	Date of commencement
1.	Delhi	1	Widening from km 8.2 to km 16.2	November 2001
2.	Delhi	1	Widening from km 16.5 to km 29.3	The contract has been terminated on account of submission of fake bank guarantee
3.	Delhi	2	Improvement in Ashram-Badarpur section.	Agreement signed on 27-08-2004
4.	Delhi	8	From km 14.30 to km 42.0 (Delhi-Gurgaon)	April 2002.
5.	Chennai	4, 45 & 205	Grade separate intersections at Airport and Kathipara on NH 45, Koyambedu on NH 4 and Padi on NH 205. In addition the section Maduro- voyal to Koyambedu on NH 4 is to be widened to four lane.	Letter of acceptance issued to the Contractor.
6.	Chennai bypass Pass I & II	4, 45 & 205	18 km long two lane Chennai by pass (Phase I) connecting NH 4 & 45 has already been completed. Anotherproject, Chennai bypass (Phase II)connecting NH 4, 205, extension of Chennai by pass (Phase I) 5 andfrom two lane to four lane is also being undertaken.	Contract agreement has been signed on 26-02-05
7.	Bangalore	7	Construction of 9 km long elevated Highways from Silk Board Junction to Electronic city Junction on NH 7 on BOT basis.	Bids are likely to be invited in the last week of March 2005.

Pradhan Mantri Bharat Jodo Pariyojana

†431. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work regarding modernizing the roads through Pradhan Mantri Bharat Jodo Pariyojana has been slowed down;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have formulated any scheme to speed up the modernization of the roads; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No, Sir. The Pradhan Mantri Bharat Jodo Pariyojana was only under proposal stage and was not approved by the Government.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) National Highways Development Project is a step towards modernization of National Highways. The project includes 4/6 laning of National Highways with enhanced safety features such as Road Over Bridges in place of Railways Level Crossings, Grade Separators, Road Signages, Road Markings, Crash Barriers etc. The ongoing National Highways Development Project (NHDP Phase I & Phase II) covers about 14,000 km of National Highways. To accelerate the ongoing modernization of roads, it is proposed to undertaken 4/6 langing of about 10,000 km of National Highways with public private parternship under NHDP phase IIIA (4,000 km) and NHDP Phase IIIB (6,000 km).

Establishment of DG of Ports and Jarbpirs

432. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to establish a Directorate-General of Ports and Harbours;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal;

(c) whether the cost/benefits of this new office have been assessed;

(d) if so, to what extent Government would ensure that ports are not hampered by slow administrative action from Government; and

(e) the details of steps proposed to establish the new office and a separate Directorate of Ports?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (e) Establishment of a Directorate General of